

# 20TH ANNUAL NEW MEXICO FIRE SERVICE CONFERENCE



SEPTEMBER 28 - OCTOBER 1, 2018  
RUIDOSO CONVENTION CENTER



**New Mexico Fire Chiefs Association  
20<sup>th</sup> Annual New Mexico Fire Service Conference  
September 28 – October 1, 2018  
Ruidoso, NM**

**To:** All Interested Fire Service Personnel

**From:** Chief James Salas, NMFCA President

The New Mexico Fire Chiefs Association cordially invites you to the **20<sup>th</sup> Annual New Mexico Fire Service Conference** which will be held September 28<sup>th</sup> thru October 1<sup>st</sup> in Ruidoso. This year, in anticipation of a higher participation, we return to a weekend format. The Conference takes place Friday thru Monday, mark your calendars!

The conference program will offer dynamic and timely workshops presented by nationally known speakers and also brings back some past favorites. There will also be an exhibit hall packed with the latest in fire service apparatus and equipment and valuable door prizes. A pre-conference golf tournament will be held on Friday, September 28<sup>th</sup> at The Links at Sierra Blanca. Join us for our annual BBQ on Saturday evening for good food prepared by great folks and dancing to the music of the Thunderkatz!

Registration form is included in this brochure and available as a fillable PDF on both the [NM Fire Chiefs Association](#) and the [NM Municipal League](#) websites.

### **KEYNOTE SPEAKERS & SESSIONS DESCRIPTIONS**

**Ann Martinez, EMS Fund Act Coordinator** will update you with latest information, statute changes and requirements from the EMS Bureau with her session ***“All about the EMS Fund Act & Statute Changes”***. Ann offers important information with her expertise; 10 years of experience at the EMS Bureau and 18 years in the field with Sandoval County Fire Department, her session is a valuable tool for New Mexico’s fire service. This session will offer CEU’s.

**Tom Aurnhammer, Fire Chief – Los Pinos Fire District, Ignacio, CO.** Chief Aurnhammer, a great friend of New Mexico Fire Service will kick-off the conference on Saturday with ***“Leader’s Intent in the Culture of Safety”***. In fast-moving, dynamic situations, strategic incident commanders cannot always incorporate new information into a formal planning process and redirect resources within a reasonable timeframe. The intent communicates three essential pieces of information: what is the task, what is the purpose, and what should the end state look like. The creation of a positive safety culture within our organizations, incorporated into a leader’s intent, can influence firefighter safety behaviors by providing motivation and awareness, resulting in safer fire ground operations.

**Chiefs Aurnhammer & Chief Michael West will conduct a joint session entitled *“Strategic and Tactical Considerations for Modern Building Fires”*. *What about the Little Box Store, Lightweight Residential Structures, and Wooden Towers?*** Building construction, interior designs, as well as fixtures and furniture have changed considerably over the last twenty years, but the strategy and tactics employed by firefighters tends to remain the same. This presentation will provide attendees with information about the modern construction, as well as the changing fire environment. Our intent is to create an enhanced level of firefighter safety when responding to incidents in buildings utilizing modern construction features.

**Mike West, District Chief - South Metro Fire District, Centennial, CO** presents, ***“Left of HORNK: Leadership & Life Lessons from a Man in a Kilt”***. Kilts and bagpipes stir many images in all of us. Ancient warriors, funerals, Braveheart, pictures from D-Day, and of course St. Patrick’s Day. The connection of bagpipes in the fire service dates back all the way to the 1850s. So what can such an old musical instrument and the ancient uniforms associated with it teach us in today’s modern fire service? Tons. Faster than you can don the whole 9-yards of the traditional kilt, we will explore life, leadership, and fire service lessons that will have you considering music lessons.

**Frank Babinec, Fire Chief of Coral Springs – Parkland Fire Department and his team, Assistant Fire Chief Steve Frey, Assistant Fire Chief John Whalen and Captain-Safety Officer Christopher Bator** will discuss ***“Clean Cab Design; Designing Apparatus around Firefighter Safety, Health and Wellness”***. “A clean cab apparatus is an apparatus designed to facilitate a clean, healthy, and safe environment by reducing the exposure to contaminants associated with occupational exposures found in firefighting activities. This is a different way of thinking and a big change in the fire service when it comes to designing suppression units. The overall goal is reducing the exposure to contaminants that are proven to cause cancer among firefighters. In other words, this is a commitment to protect your life in the same way you have dedicated yours to protecting others. We want to make sure firefighters and emergency medical personnel have a long and rewarding life after their work is done.

**Chief Babinec, Assistant Fire Chief Frey, Assistant Fire Chief Whalen and Captain Bator**, will present at our Closing Plenary with ***“February 14, 2018 a Response to An Active Killer Event, Before / During / After”***. On February 14, 2018, the communities of Coral Springs and Parkland were impacted by the ninth deadliest mass shooting event in U.S. history and the third deadliest school shooting to date. This session will teach you the importance of: 1) preparing for an “Active Killer Event”; 2) working within a unified command structure; 3) using the Emergency Operations Center and Public Information Officer component during such an event; and 4) having a mental wellness program in reference to such an event.

**James Williams, City Manager and former Fire Chief of the City of Lovington**, will close the program with ***“We Were Once Called Leaders”***. Of all of the terms we use in the fire service, the term “Chief” makes people think of the term leader. In this age, however, to operate a fire department the Chief has to be more than just a leader. As much as we may dislike the term or the thought of being called one it is imperative that we act as managers as well. During this session, James will identify the differences between leaders and managers, identify the reasons we have to take on multiple roles, discuss how we can unite these two roles, and how to implement successful strategies of leadership and management in today’s fire service.

Speaker Bios and complete Session descriptions are available on both the [NM Fire Chiefs Association](#) and the [NM Municipal League](#) websites.

***Don’t forget: Class A’s for Saturday morning Opening Ceremonies!***

***Hope to see you in Ruidoso!***



## REGISTRATION

### **Full Conference**

\$200.00 (by September 14<sup>th</sup>)  
\$250.00 (September 15<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup>)  
\$300.00 (after September 21<sup>st</sup>) on-site

### **Golf Tournament (includes lunch)**

\$55.00 (by September 14<sup>th</sup>)  
\$65.00 (after September 15<sup>th</sup> & on-site)

### **Spouse/Guest Full Conference (All meals & social events)**

\$ 90.00 (by September 14<sup>th</sup>)  
\$250.00 (September 15<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup>)  
\$300.00 (after September 21<sup>st</sup>) on-site

Refer to Spouse/Guest Registration Form for individual function prices.

## SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY

The Linda Gaume Jaramillo Memorial Scholarship will be awarded to an individual in the fire service who requires financial assistance to attend the 2018 NM Fire Service Conference. This scholarship covers the cost of the registration fee only. For more information and to obtain an application, contact Jackie at [jportillo@nmml.org](mailto:jportillo@nmml.org) or visit either the [NMFCA](http://NMFCA) or [NMML](http://NMML) website. Take advantage of this opportunity!

## LODGING

Call the [MCM Eleganté Lodge & Resort](http://MCM Eleganté Lodge & Resort) directly at 866-211-7727 and refer to the NM Fire Service Conference to receive the conference rates. Conference rates are as follows: Double Deluxe Queen - \$93.00, King Studio Suite - \$103.00, King One Bedroom Suite - \$113.00. Make your reservations prior to the September 13<sup>th</sup> cut-off date. After the cut-off date, the discounted rates are no longer guaranteed; rooms will be on a space and rate availability basis only. *Note that rooms may sell out prior to the cut-off date.* All rates are subject to tax, based on single or double occupancy and include a breakfast buffet.

Overflow rooms are available at [The Village Lodge](http://The Village Lodge), 1000 Mechem Drive. Call directly at 575-258-5442 and refer to the New Mexico Fire Service Conference. Rooms are on a space available basis at \$93.00 plus tax per night, Double or King Condo. Guests have until September 14<sup>th</sup> to make changes or cancel the reservation free of charge. Credit card will be charged for 1<sup>st</sup> night of stay on September 14<sup>th</sup>, this charge holds the reservation and is non-refundable.

## CONFERENCE APP

### **The NMML App**

Your Own Personal Assistant



Remember to download the NMML App on your device. With the app you can view session descriptions, speaker bios, chat with other attendees and submit your session evaluations!

Downloading and using the app at the conference will automatically enter you into a drawing for a great prize.

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**PROGRAM-AT-A-GLANCE**

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 28<sup>TH</sup>**

9:00 am – 6:30 pm  
REGISTRATION

10:30 am – 6:30 pm  
VENDORS SET-UP

11:30 am – 6:00 pm  
LINDA GAUME JARAMILLO  
MEMORIAL GOLF TOURNAMENT  
*Lunch will be provided*

1:00 – 4:00 pm  
ALL ABOUT THE EMS FUND ACT &  
STATUTE CHANGES

- Ann Martinez  
EMS Fund Act Coordinator  
NMDOH – EMS Bureau/ERD

6:30 – 8:30 pm  
WELCOME RECEPTION & DINNER

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 29<sup>TH</sup>**

7:30 am – 5:00 pm  
REGISTRATION

8:00 – 9:30 am  
REFRESHMENTS/VENDOR TIME  
EXHIBIT HALL OPEN

9:30 – 11:30 am  
OPENING CEREMONIES  
*Class A Uniforms or coat and tie*

KEYNOTE ADDRESS  
LEADER'S INTENT IN THE  
CULTURE OF SAFETY

- Tom Aurnhammer  
Fire Chief  
Los Pinos Fire District  
Ignacio, Colorado

11:30 am – 1:00 pm  
LUNCH

11:30 am – 4:30 pm  
EXHIBIT HALL OPEN

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 29<sup>TH</sup>**

1:30 – 4:00 pm  
GENERAL SESSION

STRATEGIC AND TACTICAL  
CONSIDERATIONS FOR MODERN  
BUILDING FIRES. *What about the  
Little Box Store, Lightweight Residential  
Structures, and Wooden Towers?*

- Tom Aurnhammer  
Fire Chief  
Los Pinos Fire District
- Mike West, District Chief  
South Metro Fire District  
Centennial, CO

2:45 – 3:00 pm  
BREAK

5:30 – 7:00 pm  
RECEPTION, FAREWELL BBQ

Entertainment: THUNDERKATZ

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 30<sup>TH</sup>**

8:00 am – 12:00 pm  
REGISTRATION

8:00 – 9:00 am  
REFRESHMENTS & VENDOR TIME

8:00 am – 1:00 pm  
EXHIBIT HALL OPEN

9:00 – 11:30 am  
MORNING GENERAL SESSION  
LEFT OF HORNK: LEADERSHIP &  
LIFE LESSONS *FROM A MAN IN  
KILT*

- Mike West  
District Chief  
South Metro Fire District

11:30 am – 1:00 pm  
VENDOR TIME

12:00 – 1:00 pm  
LUNCH

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 30<sup>TH</sup>**

1:30 – 4:00 pm  
AFTERNOON GENERAL SESSION

CLEAN CAB DESIGN; DESIGNING  
APPARATUS AROUND  
FIREFIGHTER SAFETY, HEALTH  
AND WELLNESS.

- Frank Babinec, Fire Chief
- Steve Frey, Asst. Fire Chief
- John Whalen, Asst. Fire Chief
- Christopher Bator, Captain  
Coral Springs-Parkland Fire Dept.  
Coral Springs, FL

2:45 – 3:00 pm  
BREAK

4:30 – 6:00 pm  
NMFCA ANNUAL BUSINESS  
MEETING & BOARD ELECTION

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 1<sup>ST</sup>**

8:30 am – 12:30 pm  
CLOSING PLENARY

8:30 – 10:45 am  
FEBRUARY 14, 2018 A RESPONSE  
TO AN ACTIVE KILLER EVENT,  
BEFORE / DURING / AFTER

- Frank Babinec, Fire Chief
- Steve Frey, Asst. Fire Chief
- John Whalen, Asst. Fire Chief
- Christopher Bator, Captain

10:45 – 11:00 am  
BREAK

11:00 am – 12:30 pm  
WE WERE ONCE CALLED LEADERS

- James R. Williams  
Former Fire Chief  
Manager - City of Lovington

- Door Prize Drawings
- SW Division – IAFC Business  
Meeting & Election

12:30 pm  
CONFERENCE ADJOURNS

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**Registration Options:** 1) [Register on-line](#) with Credit Card, P.O. or Bill Me Option. 2) Fill out forms and fax, mail or [email](#).

	Advance Registration by September 14 <sup>th</sup>	Late Registration September 15 <sup>th</sup> – 21 <sup>st</sup>	On-Site Registration After September 21 <sup>st</sup>
<b>FULL CONFERENCE:</b> <i>(Includes all meetings &amp; functions)</i>			
NMFSC Registration	<input type="checkbox"/> \$200	<input type="checkbox"/> \$250	<input type="checkbox"/> \$300
Golf Tournament <i>(Includes box lunch)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> \$55	<input type="checkbox"/> \$65	<input type="checkbox"/> \$65

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Department/Agency: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
*City/State/Zip*

Billing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
*City/State/Zip*

Daytime Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax #: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

*For Registration Confirmation*

Vegetarian Meals     Gluten Free Meals

Other dietary restrictions or ADA needs, contact Colette at 1-800-432-2036.

Please (✓) boxes for functions you plan to attend:

### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 28<sup>TH</sup>

- Golf Tournament *(Must fill out Function Waiver below)*     Club Rentals needed  
 USGA Handicap Index \_\_\_\_\_ or Average \_\_\_\_\_  
 Teammate preference: 1. \_\_\_\_\_  
                                   2. \_\_\_\_\_  
                                   3. \_\_\_\_\_

- All About the EMS Fund Act & Statute Changes  
 Welcome Reception & Dinner

### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 29<sup>TH</sup>

- Lunch  
 BBQ & Dance

### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 30<sup>TH</sup>

- Lunch

### FUNCTION WAIVER

*If you will be participating in the Golf Tournament, you must sign, have witnessed & return this Function Waiver to the NMML.*

In consideration of the acceptance of this entry, I hereby for myself, my heirs, executors, administrators, assigns and any other successors in interest, release, waive and forever discharge any and all rights and claims for damages or from any and/or all of the 2018 New Mexico Fire Service Conference Events. I specifically release and discharge the New Mexico Municipal League, the Village of Ruidoso, The Links at Sierra Blanca Golf Course, sponsors, promoters, and any organization whose facilities are being used for these events, from all injuries or damages arising from or contributing to any physical impairment or defect I may have, whether latent or patent. I attest and verify that I am physically fit and capable of participating in the event(s) I have registered for, and that I have sufficiently trained for the completion of these event(s), both being my sole responsibility.

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Registrant Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Witness

### PAYMENT INFORMATION:

- Check Enclosed *(Payable to NMML. Include name on check/stub.)*  
 Will bring check to conference  
 Purchase Order    Attach copy or provide PO #: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Charge registration fee to:  VISA or  MC  
 Include Golf Tournament fee in credit card payment

The NMML is authorized to use the card below to pay registration fee in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Card # \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Cardholder \_\_\_\_\_

Card Holder Signature \_\_\_\_\_

### REGISTRATION / CANCELLATION POLICY

- After September 21<sup>st</sup> you must register on-site.
- Cancellations must be received in writing by September 21<sup>st</sup>.
- \$50 fee charged for all cancellations, including weather related no shows.
- No refunds after September 21<sup>st</sup>.
- Pre-registered no shows are responsible for full registration fee.
- Credit card transaction(s) processed immediately.
- Receipts available upon registration check-in.
- Registration confirmations will be emailed.
- By submission of this form, you agree to all registration/cancellation policies.

### RETURN BY SEPTEMBER 21<sup>st</sup>. TO:

Valerie Maes • vmaes@nmml.org  
 P.O. Box 846 • Santa Fe, NM 87504  
 Phone: 800-432-2036 or 505-982-5573 Fax: 505-984-1392

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### SPOUSE/GUEST REGISTRATION FORM

Spouse/Guest Registration will not be processed unless payment is enclosed.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_  
*If applicable*

Spouse/Guest of: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Include City/State/Zip*

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<b>FULL CONFERENCE</b> <i>(Includes meals &amp; social events)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> \$90	<input type="checkbox"/> \$95	<input type="checkbox"/> \$100

### INDIVIDUAL FUNCTIONS

#### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 28<sup>TH</sup>

Golf Tournament - *Must fill out Function Waiver below.*  \$55  \$65  \$65  
*(Includes box lunch)*

Club Rentals needed USGA Handicap Index \_\_\_\_\_ or Average \_\_\_\_\_

Teammate preference: 1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_ 3. \_\_\_\_\_

Welcome Reception & Dinner \$30

#### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 29<sup>TH</sup>

Lunch \$15  
 BBQ & Dance \$30

#### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 30<sup>TH</sup>

Lunch \$25

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Registrant Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Witness: \_\_\_\_\_

#### SPOUSE/GUEST PAYMENT INFORMATION:

- Check Enclosed (*Payable to NMML. Include name on check.*)
- Included on Registrant's P.O. Provide PO # \_\_\_\_\_
- Charge Spouse/Guest fee on registrant's credit card
- Charge Registration fee to:  Visa or  MasterCard

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# CONFERENCE HOTEL & CONVENTION CENTER INFORMATION



MCM Elegante (formerly The Lodge at Sierra Blanca) offers affordable luxury amidst a stunning natural environment of towering pines and crisp mountain air. Guest accommodations are the very definition of comfort and convenience, with most including private balconies, sitting areas, and breathtaking views of rolling golf greens and Sierra Blanca Mountain. Add to that, spacious and well-appointed common areas, an in-house lounge and breakfast room, indoor pool with whirlpool, and on-site workout facilities.

Call The Lodge directly at 866-211-7727 and refer to the NM Fire Service Conference to receive the special rates. Make your reservations prior to the September 17th cut-off date. After the cut-off date, the discounted rates are no longer guaranteed; rooms will be on a space and rate availability basis only.

Please note that rooms may sell out prior to the cut-off date.

## RATES:

Double Deluxe Queen	\$ 93.00
King Studio Suite	\$103.00
King One Bedroom Suite	\$113.00

\*All rates are subject to tax, based on single or double occupancy and include a breakfast buffet.

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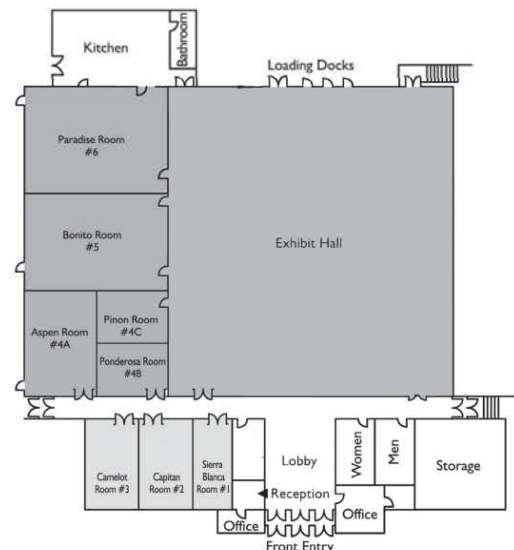
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The Ruidoso Convention Center offers as much beauty indoors as the mountain community boasts of the green outdoors. It has been redesigned with rustic mountain décor and includes conveniences such as wireless internet throughout the facility and comfortably recessed lounges for networking with your peers between sessions

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